

Wednesday - April 2, 2014

Your Honor,

My name is Stephen McCarthy. I am a life long resident of North Andover of which Lawrence would be My Second home due to My grandparents living there thier whole lives and My father being born and raised in Lawrence.

My relationship with Lenny Degnan goes back starting over forty years ago making him a life long friend. If a crisis occurred in my life, (other than immediate family), Lenny would be the 1<sup>st</sup> person i would want to talk to. Lenny is a true people person which is rare today. He was Class president of his High School all four years. He was the youngest Mayor of Lawrence when he filled in as intern (Mayor) 20+ years ago. He Started his business in Lawrence over 25 years ago & has never left.

The City of Lawrence has been good to Lenny Degnan and Lenny Degnan has always been nothing but good to the City of Lawrence. I Don't know anyone who loved the city of Lawrence more than Lenny Degnan.

Stephen McCarthy